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## DES to Defer Final Decision on Lower Liberty Hill Road, Gilford Remedial Action Plan Addendum

Concord, NH - The New Hampshire Department of Environmental Services announced last night at a meeting of the Gilford Selectmen that the final decision on the Remedial Action Plan Addendum for the Lower Liberty Hill Road site will be deferred until additional site characterization and groundwater modeling is completed. The decision to defer was in order to address technical comments received from the public and comments from the Town of Gilford urging DES to require that additional analysis be provided before a final determination was made. Pursuant to DES rules, this work would have been required as part of the remedial design process for the cleanup plan proposed by Keyspan, however, DES believes that collecting this information now is both responsive to the comments received and keeps the project moving forward.

DES plans to work with the Town and Keyspan to develop a scope of work to address the comments. Future public informational meetings will be scheduled to discuss the work to be performed, the schedule of activities, and the results of the additional studies.

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